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UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	68,143-008
First Inventor	Douglas C. Meyer
Title	Method of Managing Inventory
Express Mail Label No.	EL886510359US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages (18)]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
Descriptive title of the invention  
Cross reference to related applications  
Statement regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a  
Computer program listing appendix  
Background of the Invention  
Brief Summary of the invention  
Brief Description of the Drawings  
Detailed description  
Claim(s)  
Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets (4)]
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages (1)]
  - a. ☐ Un-executed
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63)
- (d)
  - i. ☐ (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
Named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Copies of IDS  
(IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 USC 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Checks for the payment of the filing fee \$950.00/40.00

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data sheet under 37 CFR. 76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no.: \_\_\_\_\_/  
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## Complete if Known

Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
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## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	740.00
106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 740.00)

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims 27	-20** = 7	180.00	126.00
Multiple Dependent Claims 4	-3** = 1	84.00	84.00

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130			Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520			For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55			Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200			Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460			Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720			Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,960	228 980			Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160			Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140			Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640			Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 460	243 230			Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310			Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146 740	246 370			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 740	279 370			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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